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MEMORANDUM FOR: PP/OPS

VIA: SR/OPP

SUBJECT: Daily Progress Report for Friday, 20 December 1952

REPORT

1. Rome advises that on 14 December a member of the Legalitet Party in Rome reported that a Yugoslav Colonel Meletic called upon him at his home on 30 November and proposed that he come to Yugoslavia and collaborate with the Prisren group. The Legalitet member told the Yugoslav Colonel that the National Committee for Free Albania is backed by the U.S. and British and any proposals should be made direct to them. The Yugoslav Colonel Meletic is reported to have talked also with Messrs. Ali Iasseu- Klissura and Kol Bib Mirakaj during his stay in Rome. (not-a leaders of Albanian political groups not within the NCFA)

2. Colonel Meletic is believed to be the same person as the "Mr. Milatovic" who was reported to have called at the home of Bajraktari, a member of the General Committee of the NCFA, on 1 December, stating he was a Special Adviser to the Yugoslav Foreign Ministry in Belgrade. Bajraktari had planned to visit Yugoslavia if he received a visa, but "Mr. Milatovic" advised him that it was not the time for Bajraktari to visit Yugoslavia for the following reasons:

- a. That Bajraktari's visit might be misinterpreted,
- b. That the NCFA has not acknowledged Yugoslavia's statements that they respect the integrity of Albania's borders,
- c. That the U.S. should approach the Yugoslavs openly in Belgrade in an effort to work out a basis for joint collaboration between the League of Albanian Refugees in Prisren and the NCFA.

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3. Headquarters has advised Rome that it is studying possible NOFA-Prisren League relationship and therefore requests that no further action be taken until advice received from Headquarters.

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